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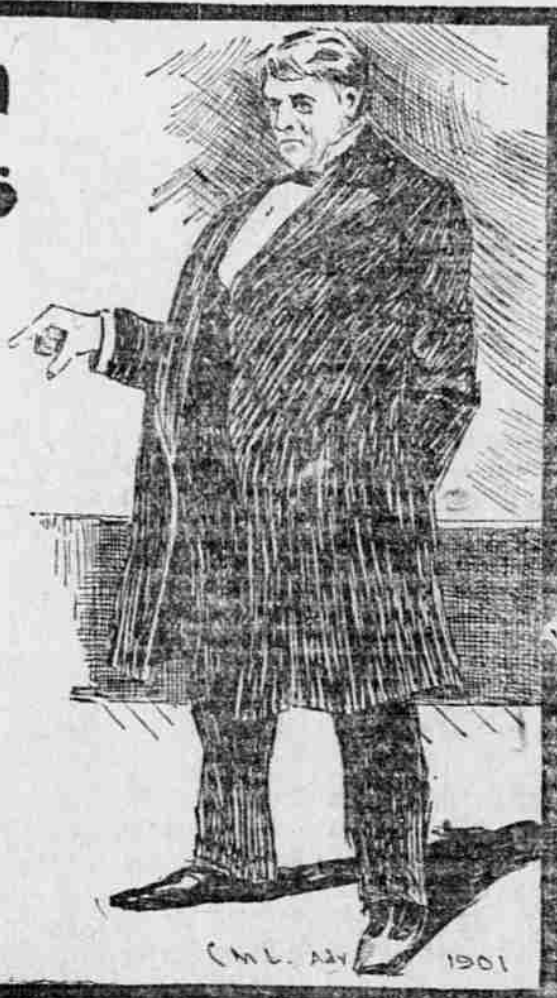
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APPLICANTS  
WERE MANY

Chief Examiner Serven Conducts  
the Work Assisted by Profs.  
Alexander and Ingalls.

"Lest We Forget," was the legend on the blackboard of the main room in the High School with which the applicants for positions in the departmental service of the United States Government were met when they took their seats. The maxim was most appropriate for the first Civil Service examinations held in the Hawaiian Islands, and before the day's examinations were done those who were present were convinced that it was full of wisdom.

There were many who did forget the things that they most should have known. There were little rules of arithmetic, spelling, grammar, dates of historical events, data concerning the geography of the world and the United States in particular that, had they been remembered, would have caused many an anxious, wrinkled brow to become serene.

The High School was opened bright and early yesterday and nearly seventy persons, male and female, young and old, were present to begin their task. Chief Examiner A. R. Serven of the Civil Service Commission was on hand, accompanied by Prof. A. B. Ingalls and Secretary Banks of the local board of examiners. Prof. W. D. Alexander, another member of the board, did not reach the building until later in the forenoon.

A table was placed in the large arched doorway leading to the main school room on the first floor, and this was piled high with the packages containing the information and examination blanks. The applicants were assigned to seats in the large room and also in an adjoining smaller room. The men who are now customs guards, and who are compelled by the rules to take the examinations to hold their positions, were assigned to the large room. Those taking the special and higher examinations, such as for the Philippines departments, immigration inspector and other positions which require more than ordinary learning, were placed in other rooms. The applicants for positions as letter-carriers were assigned to the large room, while a few looking for clerkships in the postoffice and custom house mingled with the wise ones in the small room.

Chief Examiner Serven indicated the manner in which the examinations would have to be conducted and then reminded all of the value of remembering the official number given to each applicant, which was required to be entered upon each paper submitted to the board upon completion. The system which has been so carefully worked out by the Civil Service Commission, was started off well yesterday and little trouble was experienced during the day in keeping the applicants supplied with the examination blanks in their special classes. The applicants worked steadily throughout the day and by 3 o'clock in the afternoon they began dropping out of the building one by one, with their examinations practically finished. There were two or three who became convinced early in the day that they could not make a success of the examinations and they quit without more ado.

The Chief Examiner had his hands full at all hours, but despite the fact that he was generally surrounded by at least half a dozen persons each eager to pass in the blanks already filled out and to take new ones, he had a good-natured way about him which kept the worried applicants in good humor. He was ready to listen to any and all questions concerning procedure, and an adroit way in turning off an inquiring applicant who wanted to know how this and that had to be done. The easy manner of Mr. Serven caused many an applicant to lose sight of his nervousness. The other members of the board assisted in arranging the papers as they came in, checking off the applicants' numbers. In one or two instances applicants used several numbers, forgetting just what number had been assigned. One young man, a Hawaiian, passed in three examination papers with the numbers 11009, 11012, 11015 respectively. Considerable time was lost in checking off his papers, which were finally checked off by a comparison of the handwritings.

The lack of applicants for the positions of letter-carriers was commented on by Mr. Serven. He said that the positions were good ones and much sought after in other cities, and the examinations could not be considered hard to take. Only six applicants for these positions came yesterday. As there are ten carriers to be appointed for Honolulu as soon as possible, there are four more examinations to be taken. Mr. Serven will hold a second examination this morning for those who desire to enter it.

The custom house guards who took the examinations plunged into their work with a will, and it is to be hoped that these men, who have already done good service on the waterfront, will be passed through and allowed to retain their positions.

The last examination of the day was that for postoffice clerks and carriers in the art of reading addresses on letters. Eight men and women took the examination. Three of the applicants were women, and in proportion these got through the examination better

than the men. The addresses are taken from actual letters that have been received. These have been photographed and then printed upon slips of cardboard the exact size of postal cards. The handwritings are varied. Some are good, some are bad, some are indifferent, and naturally with so many different specimens of chirography some of the addresses were difficult to read. Especially is this so when there is a time limit specified in which to read the cards. There are twenty-five of them. The examiner explained that time and accuracy counted the same—fifty per cent in each instance—and for each mistake the Examiner checked off on a sheet which contained the real interpretation of the names and addresses. The first to go into the room where the Examiner and the applicant were out of hearing of the others, was a young lady. She handled the pasteboards with skill, and although a little slow made up in accuracy, for it was but seldom that she made a mistake. She got through the trial in about three minutes and ten seconds. The next was a man who read rapidly, but made a few blunders in the readings. The third man did not complete the reading in five minutes. Towards the last a young Chinese-Hawaiian read the cards. At first he stumbled, and then picked up and surprised the entire examining board, which had been called in, by his familiarity with the names of cities, streets and American firms. He was complimented with the smiles of Mr. Serven, who buoyed him up with the statement that he had done very well.

The examination for stenographers and typewriters will be conducted this morning. This examination consists of dictation for stenography, dictation on the typewriter, transcribing notes, speed in stenography, re-writing rough drafts, together with a small examination in arithmetic, spelling and geography.

Out of the large number of applicants about ten were young women.

Examiner Serven of the Civil Service Examining Board has consented to hold another examination this morning for letter-carriers. Yesterday but six men applied. All candidates for the position are asked to be on hand at 8:30 o'clock.

It is beginning to look as though the house-to-house delivery system was promised this city would fall through unless some of the young citizens who want a lifelong position at a good salary come forward and express a willingness to help out the postal department. Why the young men of this city should be so backward about coming forward and trying for these places is hard to explain. The only requirements are that one be able to do the work, and that they be faithful and painstaking in the task prescribed. The law prescribes that no letter-carrier shall work more than eight hours a day. The labor is in the open air, and is not difficult. It is quite different from being cooped up in an office all day, dependent upon an employer who will discharge his employee at some slight offense. So long as a carrier behaves himself, he is sure of his position. This makes it, to all intents and purposes, a lifelong place. The salary here, after the first year will be \$50. For the first twelve months it will not be so much, owing to the inexperience of the men. It will, however, be a comfortable recompense, and much more than most of those accepted could get elsewhere.

Yesterday there were but six men to take the examinations. The intention was to start the service with ten men at least, and probably more. As it is, if no one consents to take the examinations, which will be given today to complete the ten men, the service will be badly handicapped. All men in the city of Honolulu who are looking for a good, steady position, with easy hours and good pay, and who are between the ages of 21 and 40, would do well to try. The examination is by no means a difficult one, the candidate being examined in the common school studies. It is strange that in a city of 40,000 ten men cannot be found who are willing to take the examinations. In any other city of the Union such an examination, with at least ten positions to be filled, would call forth hundreds of applicants. Aside from the fact that several deserving citizens are cheating themselves out of a position that will put them on Easy street, the city of Honolulu is also the sufferer, for nothing would contribute more to the efficiency of the postal department than to have ten letter-carriers to begin work on the 1st of August.

The annual report of Mr. Serven shows that during the year ending June 30, 1900, 45,641 persons took the competitive examinations for appointments in the public service. There were 1,390 appointments made in the general departmental service, 500 of which were comparatively insignificant, in addition to many chosen for postoffice and custom house and internal revenue spheres of labor.

### THE CUCKOO'S EGG.

The ordinary type of cuckoo's egg, which is very small for the size of the bird, but heavier than any other egg of equal dimensions, is pale grayish green, or pale warm brown, streaked and clouded with markings of different shades. But the eggs vary very much, and are sometimes hardly to be distinguished from those among which they have been dropped. Some are even blue. In a collection at Hildesheim there are twelve blue cuckoo's eggs, some slightly spotted, and some as free from markings as the eggs of the hedge sparrow. This variation in color is one of the strange points. It is in the highest degree unlikely that the bird can vary at will the tint of her eggs, so as to make them harmonize with those in any particular nest. Nor is it probable that the cuckoo, having laid her egg, proceeds to look for a nest containing eggs which match her own in color and marking. There is, however, some evidence that a cuckoo will continue, year after year, to choose the same kind of bird as foster parent. There is a cottage in the West Country, for example, where a pair of wagtails built a nest in the ivy for twelve years in succession; and every year, during that period, a young cuckoo was reared in the nest.—London Daily News.

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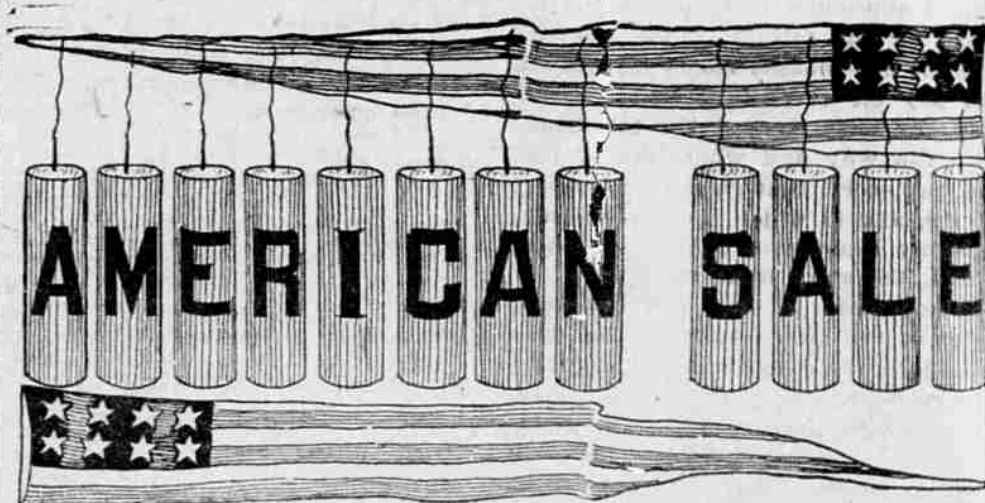
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